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FROM RIO NINTH

REFERENCE: EMBTEL 1603 RE CHICOM DEPORTATION CASE.

1. RIO PRESS FEBRUARY 9 REPORTS THAT BRAZILIAN DEFENSE ATTORNEY SOBRAL PINTO HAS PETITIONED DELAY IN DEPORTATION PROCEEDINGS TO ENABLE HIM PREPARE PLEA FOR PRESIDENTIAL PARDON FOR HIS CLIENTS AS "MORE NOBLE SOLUTION" THAN "SUMMARY EXPULSION". IN ACCOUNCING LATEST DEVELOPMENT, PINTO TOOK OCCASION DENOUNCE AS "MONSTROSITY" EARLIER REPORTS HE AND PRISONERS HAD AGREED TO JUSTICE MINISTER'S STRAIGHT DEPORTATION PROPOSAL.
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2. MEANWHILE, PRESS INTEREST CONTINUES FOCUS ON VISITING WIVES OF FOUR PRISONERS WHO ARRIVED FROM BERN JANUARY 29 AND HAVE REQUESTED VISA EXTENSIONS. PRESS SPECULATION IS THAT WIVES WILL BE PERMITTED REMAIN AND LEAVE BRAZIL WITH HUSBANDS WHO GENERALLY EXPECTED BE DEPORTED WHETHER PARDON GRANTED OR NOT. GORDON

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